

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

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1. An Air Force Technical School is located in the former infantry barracks in Zamosc.<sup>1</sup> The school has no military [REDACTED]. There are no other military units in Zamosc. The school trains regular officers. 25X1
2. The personnel of the school number about 5,600. Senior officers are exclusively Russian. The following officers are on the staff of the school:

Commander	:	Colonel Vorobev, a Soviet officer.	[REDACTED]	25X1
Director of Education:		Colonel Aleksandrov, a Soviet officer.	[REDACTED]	
Political Officer	:	Colonel Yatsenko, a Soviet officer	[REDACTED]	
Technical Officer	:	Major Warzecha, a Pole	[REDACTED]	
		Army.	[REDACTED]	
Supply Officer	:	Major Korzela, a Pole	[REDACTED]	
			[REDACTED]	

3. There is no permanent airfield at Zamosc. Outside the town there is an emergency landing ground with no runways. It has a corrugated iron hangar 40 meters long, 20 meters wide, and 10 meters high.<sup>2</sup>
4. There are no serviceable aircraft at the school. The aircraft, all of which are of Russian design, are only intended for instruction in starting, dismantling and assembling engines. All aircraft are kept on the barracks square. They consist of the following:

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30 twin-engined P-2 bombers  
25 single-engined fighters similar to the Messerschmidt  
8 ground attack, single-engined aircraft similar to a Stuka  
2 jet aircraft, type unknown, were received by the school for training purposes in January 1952.

5. The weapons used at the school are the following: Russian infantry rifle, sub-machine gun, Russian light machine gun, Russian medium machine gun, Polish sub-machine gun made in a factory in Radom which has a detachable butt.
6. The attitude of the Polish officers toward the other ranks is faultless. Russian officers show a lack of trust in the men. Relations between Polish and Russian officers are unfriendly. Other ranks are recruited from all parts of Poland. Their morale is low; they serve with reluctance and hope for a change in conditions. Their reliability in the event of war is questionable.
7. Soldiers are granted leave only after a year's service, and, in addition, leave is dependent on good conduct and satisfactory results in connection with studies, especially in the political field. The pay of a private amounts to 12 zloty a month.
8. Each private is issued a cloth uniform which is not new but in good condition and in addition, boots, gaiters, a belt, and one set of underwear. Dress uniform is issued when required but has to be returned to the quartermaster's store when the person to whom it was issued returns to his unit.
9. Up to July 1951, rations were good but later deteriorated due to the increase in the general strength of troops and the scarcity of food on the home market. Soldiers rations consisted of the following:

Breakfast at 7:00 a.m. - Soup, black coffee, a teaspoonful of sugar and as much black bread as desired.

Dinner at 12:00 noon - Soup, stew or a slice of meat, potatoes and a piece of bread.

Supper at 8:00 p.m. - Buckwheat or cabbage soup, a piece of bread, black coffee, and a teaspoonful of sugar.

Each soldier received eight cigarettes daily.

Comments:

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1. In a previous report it was stated that there was an air force mechanics school in Zamosc.
2. In a previous report it was stated that two kilometers from Zamosc in the direction of Szczecbrzeszyn there was an emergency landing ground.

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